

Building built by Chevron inaugurated

CITY DESK

Chevron Bangladesh has recently inaugurated a new building for Inatganj Degree College near the Bibiyana Gas Plant in Sylhet.

The new section of 3,000 square foot, sponsored by Chevron, will accommodate three additional classrooms for 200-250 students.

Chevron Bangladesh's External Affairs Director Naser Ahmed was present as the chief guest at the event on April 30.

Lawmaker of Habiganj-1 Abdul Munim Chowdhury Babu; Obaidullah Al-Ejaz, Chevron Bangladesh's community affairs manager; and Abdul Baten, Inatganj Union Council chairman also attended.

Obituary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Jahangir Alam, assistant professor of Mohimaganj Degree College died of cardiac arrest at his residence Tuesday night. He was 52. He was buried at family graveyard in his Saktipur village home.

Auto-rickshaw

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auto-rickshaws, they said the policy, if formulated, would not be effective.

The committee -- consisting of representatives from BRTA, communications ministry and owners -- is likely to formulate guidelines for auto-rickshaws, said Abdul Mannaf, general secretary of the association. But it will not address drivers' plight unless their participation is ensured, he added.

Police detain

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owner, Bishu Ghosh, who immediately contacted the Directorate of the National Consumer Rights Protection, and learned that no such mobile court drive was approved. Soon afterwards, the locals got the four detained by the accompanying police team. The microbus driver said the vehicle was rented in Faridpur.

Illegal building

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to comply with the order. It also issued a contempt of court rule against independent lawmaker Haji Mohammad Selim for obstructing the authorities in the past.

RAPE OF WOMAN IN LALMONIRHAT HC summons SP, OC over inaction

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday summoned superintendent of police of Lalmonirhat and former officer-in-charge of the district's Sadar Police Station for not taking appropriate action over a rape incident after the January 5 polls.

The duo will have to appear before the court on June 3. On January 7, three men Shamsul, Abenur and Amin raped a 35-year-old Hindu woman at Dharairkhata in Lalmonirhat allegedly for casting her vote during the parliamentary polls.

Afterwards, the then OC Jamir Uddin forced the victim to sign a "settlement bond" between her and the rapists instead of registering a case, the writ petition filed by Ain o Salish Kendra said.

On March 3, the HC asked the SP and the OC to take action against the culprits. The SP submitted a probe report to the HC recently saying that the victim had no allegation against anybody. Deputy Attorney General Biswojit Roy said the SP did not take any effective action against Jamir without transferring him to another police station.

Asthmatic people can lead active life with proper care

Roundtable told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Asthmatic people, with proper scientific treatment and management, can lead an active life without facing any difficulty, said speakers at a roundtable yesterday.

Creating widespread awareness about asthma can lift the social stigma that is associated with asthma patients, they added.

The roundtable was organised at The Daily Star Centre in the capital marking World Asthma Day, observed on the first Tuesday of May.

Club Excel, an organisation building social awareness on asthma, and Bangladesh Lung Foundation (BLF) organised the programme with the support of GlaxoSmithKline (GSK).

Citing a 2010 survey conducted by BLF, Kazi Safiuddin Benoor, assistant professor of National

Institute of Diseases of the Chest and Hospital, said more than one crore people suffer from breathing difficulties in Bangladesh.

Of them, more than half are children aged between six and 14, he added.

Asthmatic people are often allergenic to flower pollen, smoke, dust, polluted air or any powerful smell, he said, adding that if those are avoided and proper medication is taken then asthma attacks can be avoided.

He also urged people with breathing difficulties to take extra precaution during winter as the bodily components that trigger asthma attacks become more active in winter.

Educationist Prof Ajay Roy, GSK Communication Manager Ruman Ahmed, and national cricketer and Club Excel Goodwill Ambassador Nasir Hussain, among others, were present.

ACC grills 5 persons

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them with Rampura Police Station on April 7.

On March 13, a gang of smugglers abandoned 235 gold bars in a car in Banasree area of the capital after being chased by a police team. But Rampura police recorded seizure of only 70 gold bars.

Surprisingly, the driver of the car, Samir Biswas, along with alleged smuggler Jahid Hossain went to Rampura Police Station to get their car back four days after the incident.

When police arrested the duo, Samir claimed that there had been a total of 235 gold bars in the car, not 70.

Investigation by detectives revealed how the gold was misappropriated by the policemen.

Police high-ups also withdrew the then Officer-in-Charge (OC) Kripa Sindhu Bala and OC (investigation) Nasim Ahmed of Rampura Police Station for hiding the real information of the gold bars.

20 Jamaat-Shibir

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Lohagara upazila and four in Satkania upazila over planning subversive activities.

Of them, Md Rifat was arrested with a locally made gun and three cartridges in Lohagara.

Vehicular traffic on almost all the city roads and train communications between Chittagong and other districts were normal, said police.

Jamaat enforced the dawn-to-dusk shutdown in Chittagong, Cox's Bazar, and the three hill districts after police recovered bomb making materials from the city's Jamaat office and arrested 21 party leaders, including city unit Ameer ANM Shamsul Islam, there on May 12.

Bodies of Saudi fire

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authorities. After that we can send the bodies as soon as possible," he told The Daily Star over the phone.

The envoy said that he had urged the Saudi authorities to complete the procedures in this regard adding, a case has been filed to try the responsible persons after investigation into the fire incident.

He said they had asked the victims' Saudi sponsor to pay compensation against the deaths.

Meanwhile, wage earners' welfare board director (admin) of the expatriates' welfare ministry Ziauddin said they would send money today or tomorrow for arranging air tickets to receive the bodies.

Maya skirts query

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Though Maya has denied the allegations, he skipped Monday's cabinet meeting to "avoid facing the prime minister", according to some ministers.

Six of the seven people, abducted on April 27, were found dead on April 30 and the other the next day.

NEWSINbrief

PM condoles deaths in Turkey

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday condoled for the unfortunate deaths of few hundred Turkish labours in a coalmine blast in the country's Soma district on Tuesday.

In a message, conveyed to Turkey Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan, she conveyed her sympathy to the bereaved families and also prayed to the Almighty to give them strength to bear the immeasurable loss.

Jamaat Barisal city ameer arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Police arrested the ameer of Jamaat-e-Islami Barisal city unit in Brown Compound area of Barisal city early yesterday.

Advocate Moazzem Hossain Helal, also a member of Jamaat majlish-e-shura (central executive committee), was arrested at a flat in Runa's Villa during a drive conducted to prevent sabotage activities suspected to be carried out in the name of agitating yesterday, said Kotwali police.

Helal is accused in many cases over creating violence during hartals.

Woman beaten up by in-laws dies

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A woman, who was beaten up by in-laws on Sunday in the capital's Badda, died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital yesterday.

Minara Begum, 50, wife of Fazlul Haque, received head injuries when her in-laws beat her up following a scuffle with her husband as he asked for money. Police detained four of the family including the husband.

Woman's body found in dustbin

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Police recovered the body of an unidentified woman, aged around 35, from a dustbin in Bymile area of Konabari of Gazipur city yesterday.

The body, kept inside a sack, was half decomposed, said police. Police sent the body to Gazipur Sadar Hospital morgue for an autopsy. A case was filed with Joydebpur Police Station.

IUB launches post graduate course on journalism today

CITY DESK

Independent University Bangladesh will launch a post graduate certificate course on broadcast and cross media journalism in the capital today.

The launching ceremony will be held at IUB campus, plot-16, block-B, Bashundhara R/A, Dhaka, says a press release.

Country's key problem

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and establishment of the rule of law.

The jurist also said extra-judicial killings will not be tolerated anymore and demanded effective legal steps to that end.

Dr Kamal stressed the need for a body for neutral investigation and called for modification of the century-old police act, which could not ensure citizens' safety.

Human rights activist Sultana Kamal said when the people feel insecure all the time, the government must fulfil their demand for security.

She observed, "When a security force is used for a crime, the chain of command in that organisation breaks down. And the people who make them do these, lose the moral ground to restore discipline in the force."

President of Narayanganj Ainjibi Samity Sakhawat Hossain Khan urged the lawyers not to defend the perpetrators.

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The complete Request for Proposals (RFP) is found at:
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